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HILDA OCHOA,	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT
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Plaintiff,	§	
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v.	§	TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS
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JAMA Y. ALI and	§	
FAF INC.,	§	
,	8	JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Defendants.	§	

PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION, JURY DEMAND AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

COMES NOW, HILDA OCHOA (hereinafter "Plaintiff") and files this Original Petition, Jury Demand, and Request for Disclosure against Defendants JAMA Y. ALI and FAF INC. (collectively "Defendants") and alleges as follows:

I.

DISCOVERY CONTROL PLAN

1. Plaintiff intends to conduct discovery under Level 3 of Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 190.3 and affirmatively pleads that she seeks damages



that are within the jurisdictional limits of the Court. Pursuant to Rule 47, Plaintiff states that she is seeking monetary relief over \$1,000,000.00.

II. PARTIES

- 2. Plaintiff HILDA OCHOA is an individual residing in Arlington, Texas. The last three numbers of Plaintiff's social security identification are 282 and the last three numbers of her driver's license are 339.
- 3. Defendant JAMA Y. ALI is an individual who may be served with process at his residence located at 3810 Winona Avenue, San Diego, San Diego County, California, 92105, or wherever he may be found.
- 4. Defendant FAF INC., is an Ohio corporation authorized to do business in the State of Texas that may be served with process by serving its registered agent, Corporation Service Company D/B/A CSC-Lawyers Incorporating Service Company at 6800 Port Road, Groveport, OH 43125 or wherever it may be found.

III. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

5. Venue of this action is proper in Tarrant County, Texas pursuant to Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 15.002 because Tarrant County is where the accident occurred.

6. Additionally, this Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this matter because the amount in controversy is within the jurisdictional limits of the Court.

IV. FACTS

- 7. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above facts and paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.
- 8. On October 18, 2016, Defendant JAMA Y. ALI (hereinafter "Defendant Ali"), while driving a 2016 white Kenworth TT owned by FAF INC., (hereinafter "Defendant FAF INC."), chose to break a number of driver safety rules including failing to yield right of way to Plaintiff. Defendant Ali was traveling southbound in the 1600 block of S. Service Road, Grapevine, Texas, in attempt to turn left at Cross Road, at an unsafe speed, when he, amongst other things, changed lane when unsafe and failed to yield right of way to Plaintiff, striking Plaintiff's vehicle in the front quarter panel.
- 9. As a direct and proximate result of the wrongful and negligent conduct of Defendant Ali, Plaintiff suffered injuries, and damages within the jurisdictional limits of this court.

V. RESPONDEAT SUPERIOR

10. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above facts and paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.



11. At the time of the collision described herein, Defendant Ali was the agent, servant and/or employee of Defendant FAF INC. and was acting within the course and scope of his employment as an agent, servant and/or employee of Defendant FAF INC. Defendant Ali was operating the truck with the knowledge, consent and actual permission and/or implied permission of Defendant FAF INC. Therefore, Defendants are jointly and severally liable for Plaintiff's damages under the Doctrine of *Respondeat Superior* because the negligence of an employee, agent and/or representative of Defendants was a proximate cause of the collision and damages described herein.

VI. AGENCY

- 12. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above facts and paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.
- 13. In addition to and without waiving the foregoing, Plaintiff would show that at the time of the incident mentioned herein, Defendant Ali was the agent of Defendant FAF INC. and was acting within the course and scope of his implied and/or express authority as such agent. Therefore, Defendants are jointly and severally liable for Plaintiff's damages under the Doctrine of Respondent Superior.

VII. JOINT-VENTURE



14. At all times mentioned herein, the Defendants were engaged in a joint venture enterprise in that Defendant Ali was enroute to further the business and profits of Defendant FAF INC. Each Defendant shared control of the tractor at the time of the incident described herein. Defendant Ali actually operated the tractor and Defendant FAF INC planned their course of travel, destination and directed the former as to the route and times to be followed in furtherance of their mutual enterprise. Therefore, Defendants Ali and FAF INC are joint and severally liable for Plaintiffs damages described herein.

VIII. NEGLIGENCE OF JAMA Y. ALI

- 15. Plaintiff would show that on the occasion in question, Defendant Ali was negligent in various acts and omissions, including but not limited to the following, said negligence being the sole proximate cause of the incident in question:
 - 1. In failing to keep a proper lookout;
 - 2. In failing to yield the right of way;
 - 3. In driving the vehicle in willful and wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property in violation of Texas Transportation Code § 545.401, VTCS.



- 4. In that Defendant failed to use reasonable ordinary care to control his speed and stay in his lane, as an ordinary prudent driver would, under the circumstances;
- 5. In that Defendant failed to keep a safe and assured clear distance away from other vehicles, as a person using ordinary prudent care would have kept;
- 6. In that Defendant failed to apply their brakes in a timely and prudent manner, or, in the alternative, wholly failed to apply their brakes in order to avoid the collision in question;
- 7. In that Defendant was inattentive and or allowed himself to be distracted;
- 8. In failing to anticipate foreseeable hazards as an ordinary prudent driver would under same or similar circumstances;
- 9. In failing to generally act as an ordinary prudent driver under the same or similar circumstances; and
- 10. Additionally, the violations of local and state traffic laws constitute negligence per se.
- 16. Each and all of the above and foregoing acts, both of omission and commission, were negligent and constituted negligence and were each and all, independently and/or concurrently, the sole proximate cause of Plaintiff's injuries and damages.



IX. NEGLIGENCE OF FAF INC.

- 17. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above facts and paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.
- 18. On the occasion in question, Defendant FAF INC. was negligent in various acts and omissions, including the following, said negligence being a proximate cause of the collision in question, to wit:
 - a. In the hiring of Defendant Ali;
 - b. In failing to properly investigate Defendant Ali's driving ability, prior employment history and driving record;
 - c. In failing to properly train Defendant Ali to drive in a safe and prudent manner;
 - d. In failing to properly supervise Defendant Ali to ensure that he would operate Defendant's vehicle in a safe and prudent manner;
 - e. In failing to make a prudent inquiry into the driving competency of Defendant Ali;
 - f. In the reckless employment of Defendant Ali;
 - g. In failing to implement safety policies and procedures; and
 - h. In failing to enforce safety policies and procedures.
- 19. Each and all of the above foregoing acts, both of omission and commission, were negligent and constituted negligence, and were each and all, independently and/or concurrently the sole proximate cause of the collision and damages made the basis of this suit, including past and future medical expenses, past and future pain and suffering, past and future mental anguish,

property damages, physical impairment, lost income, and lost earning capacity. In addition to each of these damages, Plaintiff also seeks prejudgment and post-judgment interest as well as all compensable court costs.

X. GROSS NEGLIGENCE (ENTRUSTEE)

- 20. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above facts and paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.
- 21. At the time of the collision in question, Defendant Ali was grossly negligent in operating, driving and maintaining the vehicle involved in the collision made the basis of this suit as described in the above paragraphs. Because said acts and omissions of Defendant Ali were in heedless and reckless disregard for the rights and safety of others, particularly Plaintiff, Plaintiff is entitled to and hereby sues for exemplary or punitive damages. Defendant Ali knew or had reason to know of facts that created a high degree of risk of physical harm to Plaintiff and deliberately proceeded to act in conscience disregard or indifference to that risk. In addition, Defendant Ali knew or had reason to know of facts that created a high degree of risk, but did not realize or appreciate the risk involved, even though a reasonable person in Defendant Ali's position would have appreciated the risk.

XI. NEGLIGENT ENTRUSTMENT



- 22. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above facts and paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.
- 23. At the time of the collision, Defendant FAF INC. owned the vehicle being driven by Defendant Ali who was involved in the collision. Defendant FAF INC. was negligent in entrusting said vehicle to Defendant Ali in that he was an unskilled, incompetent, and reckless driver. Defendant FAF INC. knew or through the exercise of ordinary care, should have known that Defendant Ali was an unskilled, incompetent, and reckless driver. Defendant FAF INC. was therefore negligent in entrusting said vehicle to Defendant Ali and such negligent acts and omissions on the part of Defendant FAF INC. was done with conscious indifference to the rights and safety of others, which was a direct and proximate cause of the collision in question and a producing cause of the damages suffered by Plaintiff, including past and future medical expenses, past and future pain and suffering, past and future mental anguish, property damages, physical impairment, lost income, and lost earning capacity. In addition to each of these damages, Plaintiff also seeks prejudgment and postjudgment interest as well as all compensable court costs.

XII.

GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF FAF INC.

24. Plaintiff would show that, at the time of the collision in question, Defendant FAF INC., was grossly negligent in hiring, training, and the supervision of Defendant Ali



described in the above paragraphs. Because said acts and omissions of the Defendant FAF INC. was a reckless disregard for the rights and safety of others, particularly the Plaintiffs, the Plaintiffs are entitled to and hereby sues for exemplary or punitive damages. Defendant FAF INC. knew or had reason to know of facts that created a high degree of risk of physical harm to the Plaintiffs, and deliberately proceeded to act in conscience disregard or indifference to that risk. In addition, Defendant FAF INC. knew or had reason to know of facts that created a high degree of risk, but did not realize or appreciate the risk involve, even though a reasonable person in Defendant FAF INC.'s position would have appreciated the risk.

XIII. EXEMPLARY DAMAGES

- 25. To the extent not inconsistent herewith, Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above facts and paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.
- 26. The acts and/or omissions of Defendants, when viewed objectively from the standpoint of Defendants at the time of the occurrence, involved an extreme degree of risk, considering the probability and magnitude of the potential harm to others, including Plaintiff. Defendants knew or had reason to know of facts that created a high degree of risk of physical harm to Plaintiff and deliberately proceeded to act in conscience disregard or indifference to that risk. In addition, Defendants knew or had reason to know of facts that created a high degree of risk, but did not realize or appreciate the risk involved, even though a reasonable person in Defendants' position would have appreciated the

risk. The acts or omissions of Defendants constitute gross negligence, as that term is defined in Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code Section 41.001(11).

- 27. The grossly negligent acts and/or omissions of Defendants were a proximate cause of actual damages to Plaintiff in an amount within the jurisdictional limits of this Court, for which Plaintiff seeks judgment.
- 28. Plaintiff's injuries resulted from Defendants' gross negligence, which entitles Plaintiff to exemplary damages under Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code Section 41.003(a).

XIV. REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE

29. Under Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 194, Plaintiff requests that Defendants disclose, within 50 days of the service of this request, the information or material described in Rule 194.2.

XV. JURY DEMAND

30. Plaintiff respectfully requests that the trial of this cause be by jury, and Plaintiff will tender the requisite fee

XVI. PRAYER

- 31. For these reasons, Plaintiff asks that the court issue citation for Defendants to appear and answer, and that Plaintiff be awarded a judgment against all defendants for the following:
 - (1) Past and future medical expenses;



- (2) Past and future pain and suffering;
- (3) Past and future mental anguish:
- (4) Property damages;
- (5) Physical impairment;
- (6) Lost income;
- (7) Lost earning capacity;
- (8) All other economic damages allowed by law;
- (9) Punitive damages;
- (10) Pre-judgment and post-judgement interest at the maximum rate allowable by law; and
- (11) Costs of Court.

This the 14th day of December 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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THE STATE OF TEXAS DISTRICT COURT, TARRANT COUNTY

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TO: FAF INC

B/S REG ACT/CSC-LAWYERS INCORP SVC CO 6800 PORT RD GROVEPORT, OH 43125-

You said DEFENDANT are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION, JURY DEMAND AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days after the date of service hereof before the 236th District Court, 100 N CALHOUN, in and for Tarrant County, Texas, at the Courthouse in the City of Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas said PLAINTIFF being

HILDA OCHOA

Filed in said Court on December 14th, 2017 Against JAMA Y ALI, FAF INC

For suit, said suit being numbered 236-296891-17 the nature of which demand is as shown on said PLAINTIFF'S CRIGINAL PETITION, JURY DEMAND AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE a copy of which accompanies this citation.

HUNT E BONNEAU

Attorney for HILDA OCHOA Phone No. (214)234-7900 325 N ST PAUL ST STE 3300 DALLAS, TX 75201 Address _ , Clerk of the District Court of Tarrant County, Texas. Given under my hand and the seal Thomas A. Wilder of said Court, at office in the City of Fort Worth, this the 5th day of January, 2018. ATTEST: 01/05/2018 THOMAS A. WILDER DISTRICT CLERK TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS BY: IN ARE NOTICE: You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 AM. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. Thomas A. Wilder, Tarrant County District Clerk, 100 N CALHOUN, FORT WORTH TX 76196-0402 OFFICER'S RETURN *23629689117000005* , 2018 at 12:00 o'clock PM; and executed at day of January DW. Prad St. Cols. Of 43215 within the county of Franklin, state of Ohio at 12:15 o'clock P M . 2018 by delivering to the within named (Def.): FOF, INC. CIUCSC on the 10 day of January defendant(s), a true copy of this Citation together with the accompanying copy of PLAISTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION, JURY DEMAND AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE, having first endorsed on same the date of delivery. Authorized Person/Constable/Sheriff: Eukan Ciemea FUMLY State OF ALTOU Deputy (Must be verified if served outside the State of Texas) O HOU __ county of before me this 11 Today of SAMMY 2017 EVOLT CHEMEAN Signed and sworn to by the said __ to cartify which witness my hand and seal of office (Seal) * Process Server brense country of 200 State Jeffrey A. Cremeans NOT NO Brown IN OHEO. Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires 8-14-19

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JAMA Y. ALI and FAF INC Defendant

PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

) ss:

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

OSCAR G DE PINERES, being duly sworn deposes and says: I am over 18 years of age and not a party to this action. I am a resident of San Diego, California.

On JANUARY 1ST, 2018 Received DOCUMENTS the Citation and Petition, TO BE served upon JAMA Y. ALI at 3810 Winona Avenue, APT 132, San Diego CA 92105. ON JANUARY 15 OF 2018 at 19:25 A.M I Personally Served Jama Y. Ali

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and this declaration is executed on JANUARY , 2017 at San Diego, California.

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